integrated pest management and integrated disease management in chilli; conducting regular training programme in the major producing centres on better post harvest practices, quality requirement and packaging; supporting exporters for promoting individual brands and international brands; assisting exporters for undertaking research and development on innovative new uses and application of spices; participation in international food fairs and seminars/ meetings for promoting Indian spices and spice products.

Committee on anti-dumping investigation procedures

2466. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a Committee to address the legal and procedural issues relating to anti-dumping investigations;

(b) if so, the details thereof including its composition and terms of reference;

(c) by when, the Committee is expected to submit its report; and

(d) the fate of the petitions filed in the meantime regarding alleged dumping of foreign foods?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVUAY SINGH): (a) to (c) A Committee has been set up to look into the adequacy of laws and procedures governing Anti-Dumping investigation. The Committee is headed by the Designated Authority. The fifteen-member Committee includes Government Counsels and officials of various Government Department. The Committee may also co-opt any other Member. The terms of reference of the Committee are: Adequacies in the laws and rules governing Anti-Dumping procedures in the country; consistencies in the statutes/rules *vis-a-vis* the Anti-Dumping practices and rulings of the Central Excise and Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal/ Dispute Settlement Bodies; availability of legal recourse relating to findings not recommending any duties and any other issue relevant to the terms of reference.

(d) The setting up of the Committee does not prohibit the domestic industry from filing petition and Designated Authority from initiating investigation. The petitions filed are dealt with according to the existing rules and procedures.